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NOTE FOR: 

FROM: EA/DDCI

SUBJECT: DDCI Speeches

1. In response to your suggestions for trying to be helpful in providing support to the DDCI for upcoming speeches, I offer the following, which will be disappointing for you. The DDCI simply does not feel comfortable with prepared speeches. He finds it difficult, moreover, to really focus on preparing for these speeches much more than about a week ahead of time. Within those limitations, I think the best we can try for is for you to offer up candidate topics and eventually an outline in bullet form of ideas about those topics and possible backup reading material. He will then weave his remarks from that material. If you can try to provide this about two weeks ahead of time, we can try to get some reaction and provide any more guidance sometime during the following week.

2. With that in mind, on the Air War College Address scheduled for 12 September:

-- You might provide some bullets on the intelligence process.

-- He would be willing to talk about CIA assistance to the Iranian hostages, terrorism, Levchenko and Soviet active measures.

-- Because of security/compartimentation concerns, he would not be willing to discuss satellite and reconnaissance systems or Central America.

-- My guess is he would feel comfortable replaying themes he has tended to use in the past, including the Soviet threat, technology transfer, the rebuilding of the Intelligence Community, etc.

3. If you will work on this and get us something a couple of weeks ahead of time, that would be helpful. If you could also advise me what the World Affairs Council scheduled for 30 September is interested in, we could also get started on that one. Under the circumstances, I think this is the best we can do.

4. As I have mentioned before, one area in which you could always be helpful would be providing any anecdotes or local color items.

Thank,

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